MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): When the rough estimate was prepared, it was only Rs. 5,000. May I know how that jumped up to Rs. 30,000 when the detailed estimate was prepared?

MR. T. K. MADHAVAN NAYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): Rs. 5,000 is the rough estimated amount and Rs. 30,000 is the detailed estimated amount.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): Is there any particular reason for this wide discrepancy between the rough and detailed estimates?

MR. T. K. MADHAVAN NAYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): I claim notice.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): Has an estimate been prepared with regard to the section from Kayankulam to Keerikad alone?

MR. T. K. MADHAVAN NAYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): Yes.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): May I know the amount of the estimate?

MR. T. K. MADHAVAN NAYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): Fifteen thousand rupees.

Improvements to the irrigation canals in Tonnallur pakuthi.

5. **MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN** (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): Will the Government be pleased to state whether they have received a memorial dated the 30th Mithunam 1106 from the inhabitants of the Tonnallur pakuthi, Mavelikara taluk, for improving the irrigation canals lying in Cheruvalakkara *vayal*, and, if so, the steps taken on the same?

MR. T. K. MADHAVAN NAYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): Yes. This was forwarded to the Chief Engineer for disposal and he is investigating it.

Irrigation facilities in Cheruvalakkara Vayal.

6. **MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN** (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*) Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they have received a memorial from the owners of Cheruvalakkara *vayal* in the Tonnallur pakuthi, Mavelikara taluk, for the improvement of irrigation facilities in that *vayal*; and

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, the action taken on the same?

MR. T. K. MADHAVAN NAYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): (*a*) and (*b*) The member is referred to the answer to his interpellation No. 5 [27].

Grant-in-aid to Ayurveda Physician, Mr. C. N. Raman Pillai.

7. **MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN** (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): Will the Government be pleased to state whether they have received a memorial from the people of Nuranad and Venmani, dated the 14th

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[Mr. A. S. Damodaran Asan.]

Karkatakam 1106, praying that Mr. C. N. Raman Pillai, an Ayurveda physician, may be given recognition and grant-in-aid, and, if so, the steps taken on the same?

MR. C. O. MADHAVAN (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): Yes; orders have been issued granting State recognition to the *vaidyan*. The question of giving the *vaidyan* a grant-in-aid will be considered along with that of other recognised *vaidyans* when vacancies occur in the sanctioned number of grant-in-aid *vaidyans* or new *vaidyasalas* are opened.

Compounding of tolls on cycles at the Nangiarkulangara toll-gate.

8. **MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN** (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): Will the Government be pleased to state whether the Chief Engineer has received a petition from certain persons residing in the neighbourhood of Nangiarkulangara toll-gate praying that the tolls on their cycles may be compounded?

MR. T. K. MADHAVAN NAYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): Yes.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): May I know what action has been taken by the Chief Engineer on that memorial?

MR. T. K. MADHAVAN NAYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): No action has been taken. The petition was received very late in that year.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): May I know whether the Chief Engineer intends to take any action on that petition when the question of the auction of tolls comes up next year?

MR. T. K. MADHAVAN NAYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): The Chief Engineer has reported that he would consider it when it comes up for consideration next year.

Tamil Pandit in the Women's College.

9. **MR. R. S. SUBRAHMANYA PILLAI** (*Kalkulam* cum *Vilavankod*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the scale of pay sanctioned for the Tamil Pandit's post in H. H. the Maha Raja's College for Women;

(*b*) the pay of the present (29-3-1107) Tamil Pandit in the above-said college;

(*c*) whether there is any proposal of the Government to raise the pay of the Tamil Pandit in the above-said college alone;

(*d*) whether qualified Tamil Pandits are available for service on the pay sanctioned for that post;

(*e*) if the answer to part (*c*) is in the affirmative, whether it is the intention of the Government to raise the pay of all the Pandits in all the three colleges of the State; and

(*f*) if the answer to part (*d*) is in the affirmative, whether they will appoint a duly qualified Tamil Pandit in the Women's College on the maximum of the scale of pay sanctioned for the post?

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